

15 November 1962

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STAFF MINUTES
13 November 1962

Present: Scoville

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1. In a general discussion of the state of the Cuban crisis, Dr. Scoville commented there is a strong probability that some sort of investigation and inquiry will be made on the intelligence coverage and reporting of the missile build-up in Cuba. A post mortem from the standpoint of how more timely and precise intelligence could have been achieved, even if just a matter of a few days or a few weeks, is undoubtedly a good idea. There is some danger, however, that some buck-passing might be attempted within the community and also within the Agency. While it is hoped that this will not happen, it was requested that OSA carefully review and outline all factors leading up to the 14 October date taking into account all requests, COMOR actions, Special Group actions, weather factors, etc.

2. Dr. Scoville announced that he has been appointed Chairman for a special White House study group charged with doing a comparative review of the U. S. and USSR atomic energy programs. This assignment will take a considerable amount of time beginning immediately and aiming for a deadline of 15 December for the report. Heavy stress is being placed on the security of this group and its work.

3. In a brief review of the current negotiations with [REDACTED] concerning overflights, it was pointed out that the Government of [REDACTED] has agreed to our overflying [REDACTED] from a base in [REDACTED] en route to China and also has agreed to

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25X1A emergency landing rights in [REDACTED]. OSA will work through
25X1A [REDACTED] to keep Bundy informed. It is important to make
25X1A sure that [REDACTED] understands that he is responsible for
keeping Bundy advised. OSA ACTION.

25X1A 4. [REDACTED] asked whether the present priority on
early warning ELINT coverage be continued as was initiated
25X1A at the beginning of the Cuban crisis. It was agreed that
this coverage should continue until more information is
25X1A available on which to base a decision for dropping or modify-
ing the coverage. [REDACTED] is to check NSA regarding the
present status of the current ELINT coverage program.

25X1A 5. [REDACTED] reported that the [REDACTED] project has 25X1A
25X1A acquired some interesting data. OEL would like more precise
data on the [REDACTED] missions, times, positions, etc., and
will take this matter up with the JRC. OSA can and will
help in this pursuit.

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7. With reference to [REDACTED] recent concern on
the security of COMONA as pertains to SAC's current activities,
Dr. Scoville asked that he be briefed as soon as possible as
to precisely what he should take up with Charyk. OSA ACTION.

8. Dr. Scoville also requested that he be briefed
on the COMINT aspects of the transfer of responsibilities
and functions from COMMO. No precise deadline was set but
should be done a little later on. OEL ACTION.

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9. [REDACTED] reported that Cuban air defense traffic
indicates that their air defense system is still being run
by the Russians. It was observed that we must anticipate and
be prepared for the fact that some day they are going to shoot.
It was urged that maximum alertness on the part of everyone be
maintained in order to get any possible clue of impending plans
to take action against our aircraft.

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10. With reference to the Eastman contract, Dr. Scoville stressed that he wants to get on with the implementation of the agreement and be absolutely sure that it is not we who are dragging our feet. Under the agreement, we are responsible.

OSA ACTION.

11. Dr. Scoville requested a rundown on the status of aircraft countermeasure modifications. OSA ACTION.

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12. [REDACTED] reported on the UCF fund drive. As of 12 November the DD/R has reached a 93% participation and a 95% accomplishment of its dollar goal. These figures break down as follows:

	<u>Percent Participation</u>	<u>Percentage of Goal</u>
D/DD/R	100%	191%
OAL	100%	191%
OSA	90%	85%

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Within the total DD/R, [REDACTED] people have pledged \$1,750 against a goal of \$1,845. As of this date there are still ten pledge cards to be accounted for from OSA. Mr. Cunningham was urged to do everything possible to get these missing pledges in and to try to achieve the goal.

13. Dr. Scoville requested a report on the status of the NRO security policy paper. ACTION - JRR.

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Executive Assistant
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Distribution:

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1 - Scoville
2 - Giller
3 - [REDACTED]
4 - [REDACTED]
5 - [REDACTED]
6 - [REDACTED]
7 - [REDACTED]
8 & 9 - DD/R Files

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